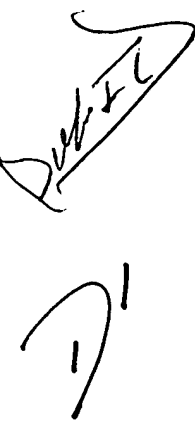


1. (Third Amendment) An apparatus comprising:

a transistor having an enable terminal, an input terminal, and an output terminal, said input terminal [for receiving] to receive signals that vary between first and second preselected voltage levels, and said output terminal [for delivering] to deliver signals that vary between the first preselected voltage level and a third preselected voltage level;

a capacitor coupled across said input and output terminals of said transistor; and

a resistive element having a first end portion coupled to the enable terminal of said transistor and a second end portion [for coupling] coupled to a voltage supply to bias the transistor continuously on, the resistive element cooperating with a parasitic capacitor defined by said transistor to [temporarily] increase the voltage applied to the enable terminal during a transition from the first to the second preselected voltage level at the input terminal.

✓ In claim 8, line 11, please delete "temporarily".

✓ In claim 13, line 9, please delete "temporarily".

✓ In claim 18, line 4, please delete "temporarily".